# ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS

How do you describe the position of a point in a plane using distance and angle?
How do can you use the graphs of polar equations do create a unique design?

# LEARNING GOALS

• SWBAT:

 Convert between rectangular and polar coordinates to represent equations of polar and rectangular graphs on the corresponding graphing plane.

# CLASS AGENDA

- Polar Coordinates
- Converting
- Image: Break
- Graphing on a Polar Axis
- Homework

# ANTICIPATORY SET

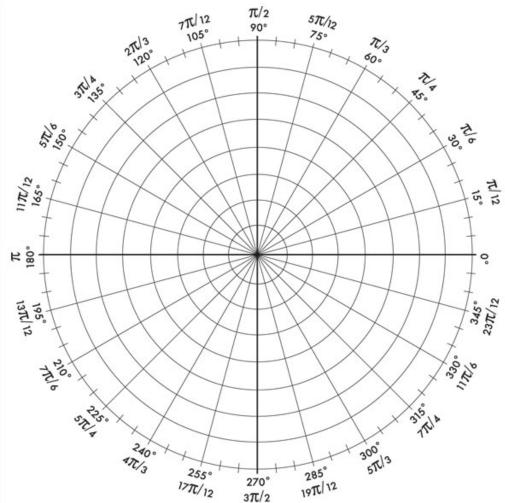
 How do you describe coordinates on the Cartesian Coordinate plane?

• Example: Describe (-4, 3)

# POLAR COORDINATES

- Use the modulus (r) to describe directed distance
- $\odot$  Use ( $\Theta$ ) to describe the directed angle
- $\odot$  (r,  $\Theta$ ) are my coordinates
- Note: because r is a directed distance, we only use |r| to plot.
- -r means that it is a reflection 180°





Center "O" is called the pole

Each concentric circle is a distance from the center or (r)

Directed angle measured counterclockwise from the positive x-axis

# DESCRIBE THE FOLLOWING

• Polar Coordinates:

*1.* (3, 30°) *2.* (−4, 120°)

3. 
$$\left(6, \frac{5\pi}{3}\right)$$

$$4. \quad \left(-8, \frac{23\pi}{12}\right)$$

### MULTIPLE REPRESENTATION

 Because we are using |r| and we can represent the same angle using coterminal angles, there are AN INFINITE number of ways to represent the same coordinate

## COORDINATE CONVERSION

The polar coordinates  $(r, \Theta)$  are related to the rectangular coordinates (x, y) as follows:

$x = rcos\theta$	$tan\theta = \frac{y}{x}$
$y = rsin\theta$	$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

### POLAR-TO-RECTANGULAR

1. 
$$\left(3, \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$$
  
2.  $\left(-1, -\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$   
3.  $\left(\sqrt{3}, \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$   
4.  $\left(\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$ 

#### **RECTANGULAR-TO-POLAR**

- *1.* (-7,0)
- 2. (1,1)
- 3.  $\left(-\sqrt{3}, -\sqrt{3}\right)$
- 4. (6,9)



## **GRAPHING ON A POLAR AXIS**

- General equations for polar graphs:
- $r = a \pm b \sin n\theta$
- $r = a \pm b \cos n\theta$
- What affects do they have on the graph?

• a?

• b?

• n?

## GRAPHING ON POLAR AXIS

#### Examples:

Create a table of values for each angle and each "r"

*1.* 
$$r = \sin \theta$$

2. 
$$r = 2\cos 4\theta$$

*3.*  $r = 1 - \sin 2\theta$ 

4.  $r = 2 + \cos 3\theta$ 

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